



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1642
HOWELL et al.) Examiner: Helms, L.
Serial No.: 09/444,144)
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For: METHOD FOR ENHANCING)
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment and Response is filed in further response to an Office Action having a mailing date of August 18, 2000. It is believed that the Amendment and Response filed on November 1, 2000, was fully responsive to the August 18 Office Action and therefore, no fees are enclosed with this Supplemental Amendment and Response. In the event that fees are believed to be due in connection with this Supplemental Amendment and Response, please debit Deposit Account 19-1970.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 54 and 56 as follows.

42 ~~42~~ ³⁸ 4. (Once Amended) The method of claim 50, wherein the acellular component or fraction of the acellular component is contacted with a plurality of antibodies comprising a mixture of different monoclonal antibodies or fragments thereof, wherein said monoclonal antibodies or fragments thereof specifically bind to said soluble receptors for tumor necrosis factors α and β .

In Claim 56, line 1, please delete the phrase "biological fluid" and insert therefor -- whole blood--.